



MINUTES

**Public Health Advisory Board Meeting
October 10, 2016 – 8:30 A.M.
Southern Nevada Health District, 280 S. Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89107
Red Rock Trail Room A and B**

Chair Jones called the Public Health Advisory Board Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**BOARD:
(Present)**

Michael Collins – Member, Registered Nurse
Timothy Jones – Member, Environmental Health
LeQawn McDowell – Member, City of Las Vegas
Kenneth Osgood – Member, Physician
Rich Shuman - Member, City of Boulder City

(Absent):

Matthew Anderson – Member, City of North Las Vegas
Tina Coker – Member, City of Henderson
Tim Marleau – Member, City of Mesquite

**ALSO PRESENT:
(In Audience)**

Bob Beers – Chair – Councilmember, City of Las Vegas

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Annette Bradley, Esq.

EXECUTIVE

SECRETARY:

Joseph P. Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc, Chief Health Officer (arrived 9:10 a.m.)

STAFF: Rachell Ekroos, Andrew Glass, Shandra Hudson, Mike Johnson, Paul Klouse, Fermin Leguen, Michelle Nath, Veralynn Orewyler, Adele Solomon, Jacqueline Reszetar, Jacqueline Wells

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. OATH OF OFFICE:

Member Coker was not present and will be given the oath of office at the next scheduled meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT: A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address, and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chairman or the Board by majority vote.

Seeing no one, the Chair closed this portion of the meeting.

V. ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2016 AGENDA (for possible action)

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member McDowell and unanimously carried to adopt the October 10, 2016 agenda as presented.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA: Items for action to be considered by the Public Health Advisory Board which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board Member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

- 1. Approve Minutes/Advisory Board Meeting:** July 12, 2016; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member Shuman and carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda as presented.

VII. REPORT/DISCUSSION/ACTION

- 1. Review/Discuss Accreditation Focus;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Adele Solomon provided the Board with a brief update on accreditation activities. She reported the accreditation application has been submitted. The performance measures and the quality improvement program are a work in progress, and the workforce development program is being finalized. Last, community partners continue to engage in the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) by working on the sections of the plan which address access to healthcare and policy and funding.

There was no action taken on this item.

- 2. Review/Discuss Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP);** Sarah McCrea, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue, EMS Quality Improvement; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Sarah McCrea, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue, gave a presentation on the access to care priority of the CHIP. She remarked one goal for the work group is to establish a nurse call line in the community. The call line will assist in providing improvement in access and navigation to healthcare services. A pilot program is being developed for a small scale call line to be operational by July 2017. It will be funded by Las Vegas Fire and Rescue and partnering HMOs in Las Vegas.

There was no action taken on this item.

- 3. Review/Discuss Healthy Southern Nevada Website;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Jim Osti, Administrative Analyst, provided a brief overview of the Healthy Southern Nevada Website, which is composed of three areas of information:

- 1) Health data - The Healthy Southern Nevada website provides 188 health indicators and up-to-date demographic information;
- 2) Resources - This website has a growing library of local, state and national health and health related resources; and
- 3) CHIP priorities - Two latest additions to the Healthy Southern Nevada website are the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and the new and improved Health Indicators.

There was no action taken on this item.

- 4. Review/Discuss 2017 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule;** direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

The Board would continue to meet quarterly on the second Monday of the month.

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member Shuman and carried unanimously to approve the 2017 Advisory Board Meeting schedule.

5. Discuss and Approve Recommendations to the Southern Nevada District Board of Health on October 27, 2016; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary (for possible action)

Chairman Jones remarked the focus of the Advisory Board has been staying apprised of accreditation and the Community Health Improvement Plan. Each Board member has been asked to participate in at least one of the three focus areas and to make relevant contributions. Dr. Iser suggested the Board members get more actively involved individually and as a group, for example, by participating in Community Health Assessment meetings when those activities resume next year.

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member McDowell and carried unanimously to present the approved 2017 Advisory Board Meeting schedule to the Southern Nevada District Board of Health.

VIII. HEALTH OFFICER & STAFF REPORTS

- CHO Comments: Dr. Iser reported \$1.1 Billion in federal funding has been approved for Zika; however, the allocation to the states is yet to be determined. The Health District has developed a vector control budget, which is broader than Zika and includes West Nile and St. Louis Encephalitis, in the amount of \$850,000.
- Jackie Reszetar, Director of Environmental Health, reported public workshops are scheduled for aquatic health code on October 17 and 20. Upon completion of these regulations, the food code will be updated. All workshop dates will be emailed to the Advisory Board.
- Social Media in Foodborne Illness Surveillance – Lauren DiPrete, Environmental Health Specialist: Ms. DiPrete presented on the social media in foodborne illness surveillance project. The program is evidence based with a proactive approach to locating restaurants with potential risk factors, which provide inspectors the opportunity to address concerns with food operators in an educational manner. The pilot study results were published and presented at the 2016 Academy for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence Conference and the Environmental Health Association Annual Educational Conference. Subsequently a five year cooperative agreement has been issued and funded by the CDC to continue the surveillance program.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments, about matters relevant to the Board's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address, and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chairman or the Board by majority vote.

Adele Solomon stated the program presented by Sarah McCrea received the Nevada Public Health Association Public Program of the Year Award.

Steve Rosenbaum, alternate member of the Public Health Advisory Board, and Chair of the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board for environmental management activities at the site, inquired about the resources mentioned during the CHIP presentation. He asked if anything had been researched with the Department of Energy, considering what's going on with down winders and other radiation borne services that are around. Dr. Osgood responded Mr. Rosenbaum was referring to the resources collected through the Three Square Food Bank project. The research was limited to issues pertaining to a segment of the Three Square population, about a couple of thousand of people who are home bound, and the resources needed to make distribution of food for a weekly box which would be more effective and nutritional. Environmental resources were not conducted; however, Dr. Osgood expressed interest in obtaining information from Mr. Rosenbaum. Three Squares has \$100,000 grant received from a private foundation nationally. They are limited to 1,500 or less home bound people with those resources and have anywhere from 10,000 to 15,000 people in need and are trying to fill that gap.

Seeing no one else, the Chair closed this portion of the meeting.

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member McDowell and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Joseph P. Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc
Chief Health Officer/Executive Secretary

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